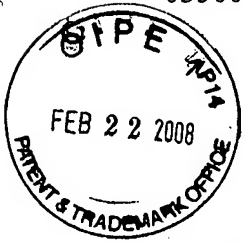


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PATENT APPLICATION



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
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Application No.: 10/500,803 )  
§ 371(c) Date: July 7, 2004 )  
Intl. Appl. No.: PCT/JP03/00518 )  
Intl. Filing Date: January 22, 2003 )  
For: STORAGE APPARATUS AND )  
CONTROL METHOD )  
Examiner: A. Khokhar  
Group Art Unit: 2622  
February 19, 2008

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P.O. Box 1450  
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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for  
response to the Office Action dated October 16, 2007 for one month from January 16, 2008  
to Tuesday, February 19, 2008 (day after President's Day Holiday).

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Submitted herewith is a check for \$120.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,



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